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Jim's Column

We approach the most critical part of our season now with a necessity to win all our remaining home League fixtures. No easy task but one we're well capable of, given an injury free run. We embarked on a consistent run of form last month when two home victories and three away draws saw us climb out of the bottom four. After the Cardiff City game arguably our two best performers on the day in Carl Richards and Shaun Elliott both sustained injuries which kept them out of the match against Rotherham with the inevitable result. The basis for any successful team is to keep a settled side with as few changes as possible. Injuries and suspensions are occupational hazards which we all accept but they always rear their ugly heads at the most inopportune of times.

At the time of writing no less than eight professionals out of the current squad are unavailable through injury. This puts a drain on the best of resources and to rely on YTS players is not fair on them. They have to be allowed to develop at the right time for them in order to aid their future development and improvement. Having said that both Andy Gouck and Trevor Sinclair have come into the squad at a difficult time and equipped themselves well. They are our future at Blackpool F.C. along with your valued support and if we all pull in the same direction we can come out on top.



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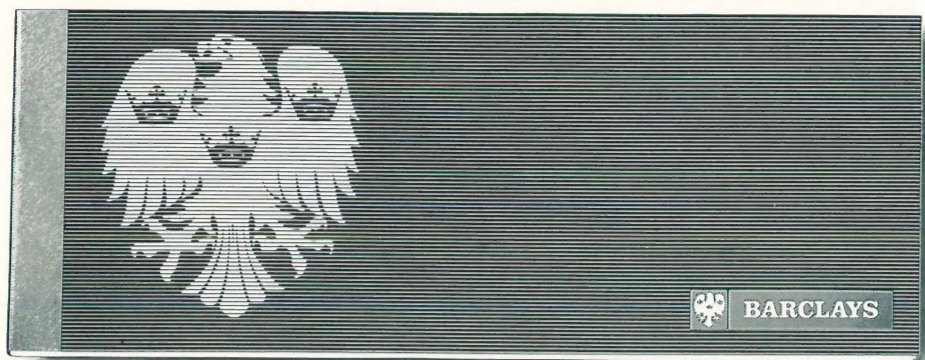
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Around Three

Midweek Review
2nd, 3rd and 4th April, 1990

2nd April

Notts County 0 Bristol Rovers 0

Another stirring defensive performance by Bristol Rovers in front of 10,857 at Notts County's Meadow Lane was enough to secure Bristol Rovers a place in the final of this season's Leyland Daf Trophy. Notts County had their chances but were left to rue their First Leg defeat at Twerton Park. So in the final analysis it was David Mehew's goal on 28th March which settled the tie.

3rd April

Mansfield Town 5 Birmingham City 2

3rd April saw a return to League action for 12 of the Division's clubs. Star man was Mansfield Town's Steven Wilkinson. He hit all 5 of The Stags goals which beat Birmingham 5-3 at Field Mill - 4 of the 5 came in the first half as The Stags romped home. Nigel Cleghorn and Dennis Bailey hit The Blues consolation goals. In scoring 5, Wilkinson earned a place in the Division Three record books. He joins Steve Earle in 1969 of Fulham, Bernie Thomas of Scunthorpe United in 1965, Keith East of Swindon Town in 1965, Keith East of Swindon Town in 1965, Alf Wood of Shrewsbury Town in 1971, Tony Caldwell of Bolton Wanderers in 1983 and Andy Jones of Port Vale in May 1987. All have scored 5 times in a Division Three League match - nobody has yet hit more.

Bolton Wanderers 3 Reading 0

Reading failed to score in a match for the first time in 24 matches and Bolton Wanderers scored for the first time in 503 minutes when the two clubs met. Given those statistics it was therefore surprising that Wanderers won 3-0. Tony Philliskirk, Robbie Savage and Steve Thompson kept their play-off hopes burning. Reading now seem safe in mid-table.

Huddersfield Town 0 Preston North End 2

Huddersfield Town's play-off hopes were dented by struggling Preston North End whose two first half goals secured three valuable points and moved them out of the bottom four. Midfielder Warren Joyce started things off in 30 minutes and recalled Ian bogie made it two on 37 minutes. A splendid result for North End.

Rotherham United 1 Bristol City 2

Leaders Bristol City extended their lead coming from behind at Rotherham United whose John Buckley had opened the scoring in the first half. Nigel Johnson had the misfortune of scoring an own goal to level matters up and top scorer Bob Taylor pinched the points for Bristol City before the final whistle.

Shrewsbury Town 2 Northampton Town 0

Hapless Northampton Town continue to look for their first win of the year. This time they went down to goals by John McGinlay and David Moyes. Sixteen games now since Northampton Town last won.

Swansea Town 0 Leyton Orient 1

A first-half goal by Carter won this relegation battle for Orient and made sure that Swansea Town will have to fight for Division Three survival this season. This was The Swans fourth League match without a goal and Orient's first win in 7 games. They still haven't scored more than one in a match though since 13th February.

Doncaster Rovers 1 Tranmere Rovers 1

An opening goal by Ian Muir helped Tranmere Rovers survive with a draw at their Division Four opponents ground in this second leg of the Leyland Daf Trophy. Having won the first leg 2-0, Rovers now meet fellow Division Three promotion hopefuls Bristol Rovers at Wembley. Muir's goal was his twenty-eighth of the season.

4th April - Fulham 0 Walsall 0

Goalless at Craven Cottage, a single point for bottom club Walsall and Fulham's lowest goal of the season by far at 2,652. Fulham too are not clear of trouble.

Wigan Athletic 1 Bristol Rovers 2

Late goals again by David Mehew and Chris McClean foiled any hopes Wigan Athletic had of ending Bristol Rovers 16 match unbeaten run. On loan signing from Leicester City, Ian Barraclough had given Wigan Athletic the lead though.

News Update

Cardiff City's Steve Lynex has returned to the club following a loan spell at non-League Telford United... John Gregory joined Bolton Wanderers on a non-contract basis from Plymouth Argyle before the transfer deadline... Des Bremner did the same moving to Walsall from Fulham... Steve Humphries moved to Northampton Town again on a non-contract basis from Barnet... John Chiedozie has gone on loan for the rest of the season from Notts County to Chesterfield... Paul Barron has also joined Walsall on a non-contract basis from Welling... Gary Bennet has returned to Chester City from Nottingham United.

Weekend Review 7th/8th April

Birmingham City and Bury both still have hopes of making the top six and the end of season play-offs. A goalless draw at St. Andrews did nothing for either sides cause though and both remain just off the pace. Blackpool's recent unbeaten run came to an end against a Rotherham United side who had been out of form themselves of late. Such is the tight nature of the Division that Rotherham United's 2-1 win saw them regain sixth place with their fifth away win of the season. Goals by on-loan Stuart Cash from Nottingham Forest and Clive Mendonca gave The Millers the points whilst Gary Brook scored for Blackpool. Rotherham United's win came with only 10 men for nearly an hour after the sending off of Nigel Pepper for two bookable offences.

Earlier in mid-week, Bolton Wanderers had

found their goalscoring boots and Preston North End had won at Huddersfield Town. All extra spice to add to Saturday's Lancashire derby. Ian Bogie with his second goal in a week put North End ahead but they will be kicking themselves. The Trotters win consolidates fifth place - 5 points and a game in hand above Rotherham United in sixth.

Notts County consolidated in fourth too coming away from Brentford with 3 points courtesy of Kevin Bartlett's 80th minute goal. County now look sure to be involved with the play-offs being 8 points ahead of seventh place and Brentford's surge of form earlier in 1990 has left them safe when at once they looked doomed and propped up the table. For the past few weeks it's been a case of the Bristol Rovers late show. Last Saturday they beat Chester City 2-1 (their sixth successive 2-1 League win) with early goals from David Mehew and Chris McClean. Rovers have now moved up to second just 4 points behind neighbours Bristol City with a game in hand. Defensively they have still only conceded 27 League goals and are unbeaten in 17 matches in all competitions. Rovers last lost at Brentford 1-2 on 26th January.

Leyton Orient added three precious points to their total and scored three times in the process - their first haul of more than one goal since 13th February. Hales, Beesley and Harvey hit The O's goals that beat Cardiff City 3-1. Chris Pike, Cardiff City's leading scorer hit the Welsh consolation - his seventeenth goal of the season. In their last home League game Mansfield Town's Steve Wilkinson equalled a Division Three goal scoring record - 5 goals in a game. Against Reading he didn't score and Mansfield Town had to settle for a point as Reading's Tait equalised Trevor Chrities' penalty. Mansfield Town are 5 points and two places above the relegation trap door but four of the five below them have a game in hand.

Northampton Town still can't win. They drew 2-2 at home to Fulham scoring on 84 minutes and 90 minutes to rescue a point. 37 points from 37 matches is their total to date. Shrewsbury Town and Huddersfield Town shared 6 goals in the day's highest scoring game. John McGinlay hit a hat-trick for The Shrews (with 2 in the last 6 minutes) and Craig Maskell hit 2 of the Huddersfield 3. Walsall's visit to Swansea City was pointless - they lost 2-0 to goals by Hughes and Raynor two minutes into the first half and two minutes into the second. Walsall have eight Division Three League games left but are 11 points adrift of safety.

League leaders Bristol City repeated what neighbours Bristol Rovers had done at Wigan Athletic just three days earlier - they won. Rovers had won 2-1, City did it 3-2. Ian Barraclough and Joe Parkinson scored The Latics goals, with a Smith penalty. Bob Taylor's 31st of the season and on loan Ian Ferguson hitting City's priceless goals. City have now won seven of their last nine League games.

The previous Friday night Cutler and Hignett had scored for Crewe Alexandra to stretch their unbeaten run to 15 games in their 2-2 draw with Tranmere Rovers. Muir and Steel got the Rovers goals. Crewe Alexandra are just off the play-offs now and Tranmere Rovers third - 5 points behind Bristol Rovers having played a game more.

Enjoy the Game.

David Brown

Today's
Visitors

BOLTON WANDERERS

For the second time this season, we welcome the players, directors, official and supporters of Lancashire rivals Bolton Wanderers to Bloomfield Road for today's fixture. Last time the fixture was the First Round of the F. A. Cup but today it's the bread and butter points of League football which are at stake.

Wanderers continue to have promotion hopes via the play-offs and will be keen to collect the points today to give them the chance of reclaiming their place in Division Two come May. The Seasiders need the points for different reasons as they continue to battle to free themselves from the Division Three relegation dog fight. There is therefore a different motivation for both sides which should see today's game become a real Easter cracker. Having knocked the Wanderers out of the Cup back in November, the seasiders will be looking to repeat the result whilst Wanderers stand 90 minutes away from a League double over the Seasiders this season.

An Easter Lancashire derby in front of a large crowd awaits.

THE MANAGER

Former England and Liverpool full-back Phil Neal is the current and thirteenth post war manager at Bolton's Burnden Park. He has been in control since 1985. In those short years Phil has guided Wanderers back into Division Three from Division Four, seen the club victorious at Wembley against Torquay United in the then Sherpa Van Trophy yet tasted the bitterness of relegation via the play-off system from Division Three to Division Four.

As a player Phil began at Northampton Town before achieving fame and most of the games honours in the Liverpool No. 2 shirt. He was capped 50 times for England in an illustrious playing career. Bolton Wanderers are the first League club he has managed.

THE LAST TIME WE MET AT BLOOMFIELD ROAD

Blackpool and Bolton Wanderers last met here on Saturday, 18th November, 1989 in the First Round of this season's F. A. Cup competition in a match covered by the BBC 'Match of the Day' Programme. For the Seasiders, the resultant victory marked an excellent F. A. Cup campaign which finally came to an end at Queen Park Rangers.

The statistics of that day were:

F. A. Cup Round One - 18th November, 1989

BLACKPOOL 2 BOLTON WANDERERS 1

Half-time 0-0 Attendance: 7,309

Teams: Blackpool - McIlhargey, Gore, Morgan, Coughlin, Methven, Elliott, Matthews (Davies), Madden, Brook, Garner, Eyres.

Bolton Wanderers - Felgate, Brown, Cowdrill, Comstive, Crombie, Winstanley, Henshaw (Storer), Thompson, Reeves (Came), Philliskirk, Darby.

Scorers: Blackpool - Eyres (66), Garner (72).

Bolton Wanderers - Crombie (63).

David Eyres' goal was only his second for the Seasiders - he had scored the previous week, his debut goal against Brentford. Garner's goal was his fourth of the season. Dean Crombie hasn't scored again so far this season.

BLACKPOOL v. BOLTON WANDERERS

(The complete League record)

Blackpool and Bolton Wanderers first crossed swords in League combat in Division Two on 16th October, 1903. Wanderers won 4-1 at Blackpool that day and recorded a League double later in the season with a 3-0 home victory. For the next two seasons Wanderers continued to dominate - recording League doubles in both (2-0/3-0 in 1904/05 and 2-1/3-1 in 1905/06). The first eight matches between the clubs were in Division Two with Blackpool gaining one draw and losing seven times.

The First Division One League game between the clubs was in October 1930 at Burnden Park. The Wanderers won 1-0/Blackpool's first League victory over their Lancashire rivals came in December 1931, 2-1 and Burnden Park. It was however in the 1948/49 season before Blackpool managed to win a home League game against Wanderers - at the fourteenth attempt. In 1950/51 Blackpool picked up their first League double - a feat they repeated in 1959/60, 1968/69 and 1976/77. The Trotters last League double was back in 1957/58.

Blackpool's biggest win over Wanderers is 4-1 at Burnden Park in the 1968/69 season and their biggest defeat was 0-4 in 1958/59 and 1952/53 also at Burnden Park.

The Trotters last win at Bloomfield Road was in 1977/78 by 2-0 and this represents their only victory in the League here in their last seven visits. Since 1974 (the period of those last seven visits), Blackpool have won three, Wanderers one and there have been three draws here at Bloomfield Road.

The complete League record is (Blackpool won 33, Bolton Wanderers won 33 and there have been 22 draws):

Home - P 40; W 15; D 14; L 11; F 54; A 47.

Away - P 41; W 11; D 8; L 22; F 42; A 68.

Total - P 81; W 26; D 22; L 33; F 96; A 115.

Earlier this season Wanderers won 2-0 in a game where Dave Burgess broke his leg at Burnden Park.

BOLTON WANDERERS 1989/90

Bolton Wanderers currently lie in one of the play-off spots in Division Three, despite the fact their recent 2-1 victories over Preston North End and 3-0 against Reading were the first goals the club scored in five games. In the eight games of March, Wanderers, beat Notts County 3-0 at home and Mansfield Town 1-0 away, lost 2-0 at Reading, 2-0 at Wigan Athletic, 1-0 at home to Brentford and drew 0-0 at home to Crewe Alexandra and away at Leyton Orient. They lost 2-0 at Chester City on 31st March.

They come to Blackpool today with just six League games left in which to secure their play-off place. Home fixtures remain against Shrewsbury Town, Bristol City and Huddersfield Town whilst journeys still have to be made to Bury and Swansea City.

In August, Wanderers took four points from six and defeated Rochdale in the Littlewoods Cup. In September, six League games netted eight points and a first Leg - Littlewoods Cup win over Watford of Division Two. October's six League

BOLTON WANDERERS F.C. 1989/90



Back row (left to right): Dean Crombie, Mark Came, Dave Felgate, Kevin Rose, Gareth Gray, Mark Winstanley, Barry Cowdrill.
Middle row (left to right): Steve Carroll (Youth Team Coach), Gary Brown, Phil Brown, Julian Darby, David Reeves, Tony Philliskirk, Steve Thompson, Stuart Storer, Gary Henshaw, Mike Jeffrey, Ewan Simpson (Physio).
Front row (left to right): Ian Stevens, Neil Fisher, Paul Hughes, Nicky Brookman, Mick Brown (First Team Coach), Phil Neil (Manager), Dave Roberts, Jeff Chandler, Robbie Savage, Nicky Spooner.

games brought 14 points, passage via aggregate victory over Watford to Round Three of the Littlewoods Cup and goals in every match they played in the month. November was dominated by the longest Littlewoods cup tie of this season which the club finally lost to Swindon Town in the third replay. December brought seven points and goals by Darby and Cowdrill to defeat Blackpool 2-0 on Boxing Day in front of 9,944. Eight points were gained in January and six in February.

Leading scorer is Tony Philliskirk with 19 overall and 13 in the League this season. David Reeves and Julian Darby both have 10 League goals at the time of writing.

MEET THE PLAYERS

David Felgate was born in Blaenau Ffestiniog and is arguably one of the best goalkeepers in Division Three. He is a former Bolton Wanderers apprentice though he made his League debut on loan at Rochdale. Sold to Lincoln City, he had never played for Wanderers in the League at that stage. He returned to the fold in February 1987.

Phil Brown is the club captain who joined the club in June 1988 from Halifax Town. A good crosser of the ball he likes to get forward but has only scored one League goal so far this season - at Bristol City. Ever present last season he began his career at Hartlepool. Has missed just three League games in four seasons at Bolton and Halifax. Barry Cowdrill made over 100 League appearances for West Bromwich Albion before joining Bolton in July 1988. Scored his first ever League goal against Leyton Orient this season but has added two more since, this season. Dean Crombie scored the Wanderers goal in the Cup tie here earlier this season. Born in Lincoln he made his League debut for Lincoln City against Gillingham. Between 1978 and 1987 he enjoyed a nine season spell at Grimsby Town before signing for Wanderers last season. Now aged 32. Mark Winstanley is a product of the club's youth and junior policy. He made his

League debut in 1986. Born in St. Helens he is approaching 100 League games for Wanderers. Made his debut in Division Three at A.F.C. Bournemouth. Mark's only League goal so far this season was back in September against Mansfield Town.

Paul Comstive joined the club from Burnley this season. He had previously played for Blackburn Rovers, Rochdale, Wigan Athletic and Wrexham. League debut in October 1980. His only League goal this season was against Cardiff City in January. Julian Darby is a goal scoring midfielder. Already this season he has netted ten League goals and three in other competitions. He is a local lad signing for Wanderers from school.

Steve Thompson is the longest serving player on the staff at the club. He has made well over 250 and nearer 300 League appearances for Wanderers. Missed just three League games last season in midfield and has five League goals to his credit this season. Tony Philliskirk and David Reeves share the goalscoring requirements at the club. Tony is the leading scorer this season with 21 in all competitions at the time of going to press. He scored both goals which beat Preston North End on 7th April. Five of this season's goals have come in the Littlewoods Cup. David Reeves has hit 14 goals this season in all competitions. So the two main strikers can boast a total of 35 goals to their credit as at 7th April.

The squad is likely to be completed by Stuart Storer. Stuart's career began at Mansfield Town in Division Four against Hartlepool United in October 1983. The following season he was at Birmingham City where in three seasons he made just eight League appearances. Signed by Everton - he never played for the Merseysiders and went on loan to Wigan Athletic and Bolton Wanderers. At Bolton in 1987/88 he scored his first ever League goal and made the move permanent that season. His three League goals this season to date are the most he has scored in a season to date.

David Brown



MATTHEW BROWN

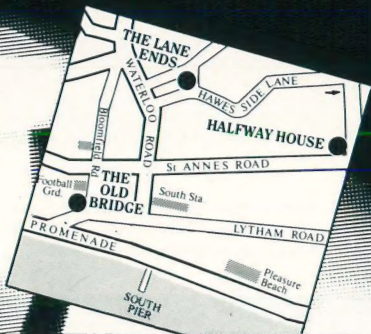
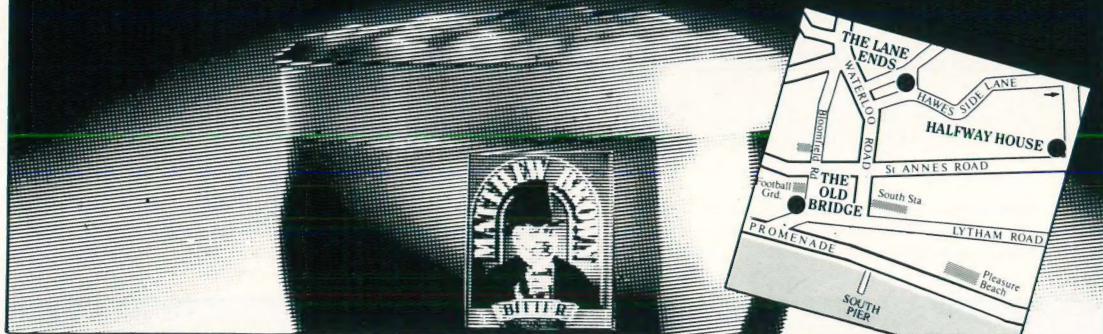
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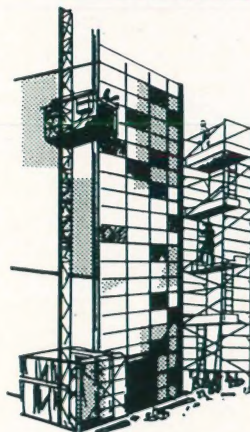
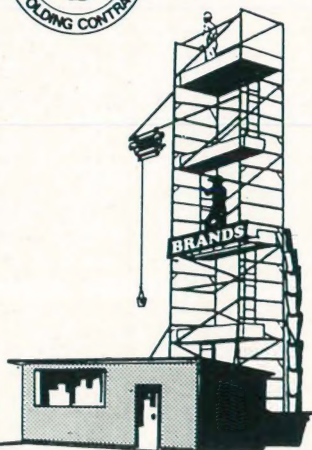
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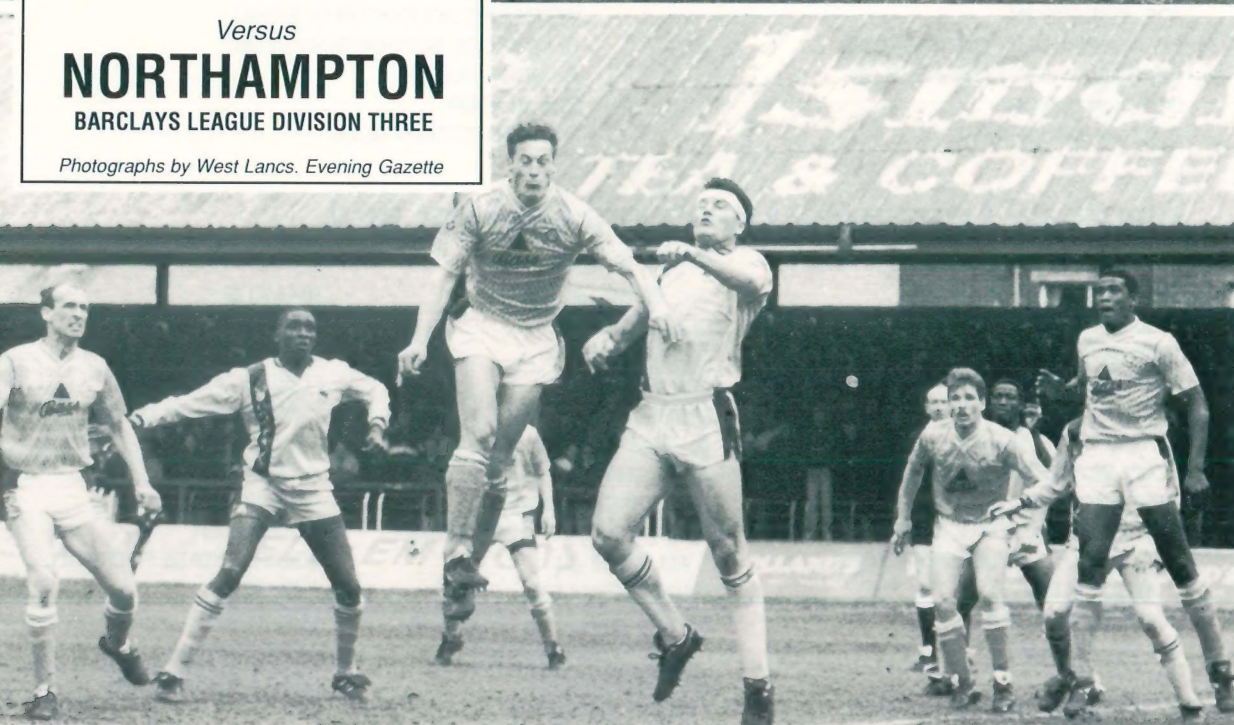
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*Morty has gone into Fleetwood Hospital, Pharos Ward,
for what we all hope is only a short stay.
We all send him our best wishes and look forward to seeing his cheery face
at Bloomfield Road in the very near future.*

Community Notes

Tours – This week we have had four ground tours. Two Scottish touring teams came on Monday and Tuesday, followed by two Norwegian groups of all ages on Wednesday and Thursday.

It is amazing to realise that everyone of the Norwegian group actually knew all about the 1953 Cup Final, especially Stanley Matthews and Stan Mortensen.

Ladies Soccer – Below is a photograph taken at half time a few weeks ago before the ladies American shoot-out. In the front are our two resident ballboys.



Photograph by Paul Scudder

Player Visits – Again the photo below was from our recent visit to Mereside Juniors. I took Mike Davis, David Eyres and Martin Filson to answer questions etc. about their playing and general day to day activities. In the photo is Mike Davis signing autographs, after having special spelling sessions!!!



Photograph by Paul Scudder

Unemployed Coaching – We will not be having any sessions until after Easter, due to other commitments. Please watch this space and press for the details. If you are interested then you can also telephone me for details on 403268.

Soccer School – Tomorrow we begin a four day soccer course at the Park all-weather pitches. It is not too late to join the course, forms are available at the club shop after today's match. The kick-off is 10 a.m.

Senior Citizens – Our project is running well. On April 20th we are taking out a group from Laycock Gate to Oldham market.

On May 1st we are taking the Goodwood Home for the elderly to Chester Zoo. Photo's will follow in a later edition.

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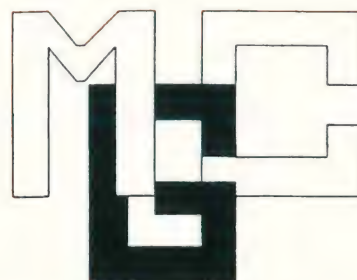
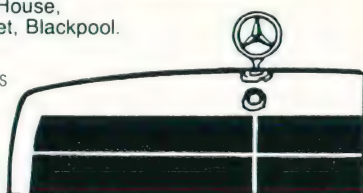
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PETER THE GREAT

Football has been saddened by the recent death of Peter Doherty and nowhere has the loss been more deeply felt than here at Blackpool where Peter began his illustrious career in the Football League and where, in the Autumn days of his life, he chose to retire.

It is barely conceivable but there may be those who query, who was Peter Doherty?

So let us first recall Peter the man. The soft spoken, pipe smoking Irishman of the twinkling eyes and faint trace of his native blarney. The home loving family man who married his beloved Jessie, the Blackpool girl he first met at church, and then shared with her the rest of his life.

But what about Peter the footballer. Probably the greatest inside forward of his era and most certainly one of the best of all time. Natural talent honed to perfection. Scintillating in attack as he unfolded his vast repertoire of skills, delicate in application yet so devastatingly effective. Uncompromising in defence as he harnessed maximum personal effort and demanded nothing less than that from those around him.

Peter often scorned the regimentation of the modern game, feeling that it stifled the free expression of flair and muted the sheer enjoyment of those who played and perhaps more important of those who paid to see them play. One fact that is inescapable is that when Peter Doherty talked football people listened, for in the game he was a giant. Corinthian in approach, forthright in opinion and completely unafraid of finding himself in a minority of one.

For those who have been lucky enough to see him play, and even more so for those who have been privileged to know him as a friend, he has left an indelible memory. Daunted yet deserving of all the accolades bestowed upon him, for he was in football truly – Peter the Great.

Were You There?

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 3 CARDIFF CITY 2, BLACKPOOL 2

Date: Saturday, 31st March, 1990.

Departure: 9.15 p.m. (by minibus).

Fare: Due to certain people not turning up the fare reached embarrassingly costly proportions. Thanks lads.

Time taken: 5 hours 30 minutes including stops totalling 1 hour 20 minutes.

Admission: £3.50 (partially covered paddock).

Crowd: 2,850.

Blackpool Travelling Support: 160.

Ground and Away Facilities: Ninian Park is of course the home of the Welsh national side and though not particularly grand for an international venue it is a good deal bigger than the majority of Third Division grounds. We occupied half the Grandstand paddock and some of the seats above. The thin wire fence in front was not too much of a hinderance to clear viewing. Last season we stood on the open terrace behind the goal but this is now reserved for very large followings of away fans. The opposite end which has covered bench seating is

completely out of use which leaves the sprawling terrace accomodating the bulk of City's home crowds. This is about half covered and must provide a perfect view. The catering was very reasonably priced but not too hot in terms of quality.

Conduct of Police/Stewards: I have found the police at Cardiff to be very friendly, making an effort to talk to a few fans. This can only help to improve relations between police and fans

Blackpool Team Performance: Played positively throughout creating a few good chances apart from the two goals that were scored. The defence had to work hard however and George Wood made some fine saves, his performance being marred only by one costly lapse.

Home Team Performance: Like Blackpool, they took an attacking approach to this match, carved a number of chances but had to rely on a misjudgement by George Wood to give them a point.

Man of the Match: Carl Richards.

Conduct/Support of Home Fans: Gave their team some vocal support and roars of encouragement but also some abuse as well.

Conduct/Support of 'Pool Fans: Nice to see most people singing and really getting behind the team, particularly in the first half.

Weather: Warm, sunny with a light breeze.

Blackpool Goals: David Eyres, struck a superb shot from just outside the area which beat the goalkeeper and curled just inside the far post.

Next Stop: Fulham. Saturday, 21st April, 1990.

PAUL SUMMERS

In Reserve

'A' TEAM v WIGAN – 31.3.90

It was a weekend of mixed emotions for the 'A' team as on Saturday they made sure of winning the Second Division of the Lancashire League by beating Wigan and then on Monday lost in the semi-final of the Lancashire Youth Cup to Preston.

Wigan were the only other team in with a chance of the title at this stage of the season and the first half of the game reflected this situation with both teams defending well, not giving a quarter. The game remained scoreless at half time, both teams having had chances to take the lead.

In the second half Blackpool took control of the game and midway through the half sealed the game with three goals. Trevor Sinclair scored the first direct from a free kick. Grant Leitch scored the second when after cutting in from the right wing "bent" his shot round the goalkeeper. The third was scored by Mark Murphy from close range as he controlled a cross from Sinclair and fired into the net. Almost immediately though a penalty was conceded to give Wigan their only goal but on this day it was only a minor criticism that the team relaxed for that moment.

It has been a good achievement by the young players and is a reward for their hard work and application on a day by day basis throughout the season.

Team: Marsh, James, Murray, Kay, Saddler, Cunningham, Leitch, Murphy (M), Murphy (J), Murphy (S), Sinclair. Subs: Bonner, Proctor.

YOUTH TEAM v PRESTON – 2.4.90

On the Monday night it was the semi-final at Deepdale and for the first half, despite taking the lead through Andy Gouck, they never really settled down and appeared over-anxious. Whether it was the pitch or the fact that it was a semi-final, they didn't appear to be relaxed and therefore didn't play with their usual confidence.

Despite that it took an unfortunate own goal to bring Preston their equaliser but on the balance of play Preston did shade the first half.

At the start of the second half Blackpool began to play more like themselves and took control of the game, they were first to the ball in all areas and kept Preston back in their own half. However they couldn't find the killer touch – hitting the bar, the goalkeeper saving a couple and missing the target on a couple of other occasions. As it turned out they needed to score then when they were on top because Preston went on to score their second when following a quick break. The winger hit a shot from outside the area that found the corner of the net.

Blackpool kept their nerve though and equalised with a similar goal, Grant Leitch shooting from outside the penalty area to bring the visitors some hope. Within three minutes though Preston were again in the lead when again the winger ran through to shoot and despite Simon Marsh getting a hand to the shot it agonisingly rolled over the line into the net.

A defeat then but the players put in a good performance on what is after all a difficult surface to adapt to and with perhaps a little more fortune could have quite easily brought them back to Bloomfield Road for a replay.

Team: Marsh, Murphy (S), Murray, Kay, Saddler, James, Leitch, Murphy (M), Murphy (J), Gouck, Sinclair. Subs: Bonner, Cunningham.



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Please note that the club is running a VIP special for the England v Uruguay match at Wembley on May 22nd. The day will be a super luxury day out leaving Bloomfield Road at 12 noon on a luxury Pulman coach with full catering and bar facilities on board. Quality meals will be served both outward bound to Wembley Stadium and on the return journey back to Blackpool. The seats at Wembley will be in the Olympic Gallery offering the best view from the highest point of the stadium. The bar on the coach will be included in the price of the package and at £150 each these packages can be booked from Geoff Warburton and Tom Skelly at the club. Elsewhere in this programme is news of the annual Sportsman's Dinner to be held this year at the Savoy Hotel on Wednesday, 9th May at which the entertainment will be provided by former England cricketer Peter Parfitt and country gent and extremely funny man 'Squire' Ronnie Hayward. Tickets for this event are priced at £21.50 or £200 for a table for ten guests and can be booked again by contacting the commercial department at the club.

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1989 Aug	19 — Wigan Athletic	0-0	-	4,561	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Matthews	Bradshaw	Sindair	Garner	Coughlin	Wright	Methven	Madden
20 — Bolton Wanderers (1st leg)	2-2	-	-	4,540	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Eyres	Methven	Madden	Garner	Coughlin	Wright	Thompson	Bradshaw
21 — Notts County	1-0	-	-	4,852	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Matthews	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
22 — Bolton Wanderers (2nd leg)	0-0	-	-	5,085	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Methven	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Sept 2 — Shrewsbury Town	0-1	13	17	1,129	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
9 — Bristol City	0-2	19	17	7,122	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
16 — Crewe Alexandra	1-1	20	16	4,722	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
19 — Barnsley (1st leg)	1-3	16	16	7,515	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
23 — Mansfield Town	3-0	17	17	2,629	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
26 — Preston North End	1-2	17	17	8,920	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
30 — Birmingham City	3-21	15	15	5,737	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Oct 6 — Reading	0-0	15	15	5,359	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
17 — Leyton Orient	0-2	16	16	3,321	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
17 — Notts County	0-1	16	16	4,126	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
21 — Cardiff City	1-0	17	17	3,920	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
25 — Exeter City (1st leg)	0-3	18	18	6,508	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
28 — Rotherham United	1-1	17	17	5,570	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
31 — Bury	0-1	19	19	4,184	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Nov 4 — Bristol Rovers	1-1	19	19	5,520	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
7 — Wrexham (LDC)	0-1	19	19	1,092	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
11 — Brentford	4-0	12	12	2,512	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
18 — Bolton Wanderers (FAC 1)	2-1	15	15	7,309	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
22 — Tranmere Rovers	0-1	15	15	4,106	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
22 — Swindon City	0-1	16	16	4,020	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Dec 9 — Chester City (FAC 2)	3-0	16	16	4,059	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
16 — Fulham	0-1	18	18	2,548	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
26 — Bolton Wanderers	0-2	22	22	9,944	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
30 — Chester City	2-2	22	22	2,405	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Jan 1 — Huddersfield Town	1-0	22	22	5,097	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
6 — Burnley (FAC 3)	0-1	22	22	8,091	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
13 — Notts County (LDC 1)	0-1	23	23	3,143	Bartam	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
27 — Walsall	1-1	23	23	6,781	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
27 — Torquay United (FAC 4)	3-1	23	23	4,402	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Feb 3 — Mansfield Town	0-2	23	23	3,978	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
10 — Crewe Alexandra	2-2	23	23	9,641	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
18 — OPR (FAC 5)	2-4	23	23	15,323	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
21 — OPR (FAC 5 Replay)	0-0	23	23	7,873	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
23 — Tranmere Rovers	0-3	23	23	3,174	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
26 — OPR (FAC 5 - 2nd Replay)	4-3	23	23	3,174	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Mar 6 — Walsall	2-3	23	23	8,758	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
8 — Birmingham City	1-3	23	23	3,227	Mclharvey	Burgess	Morgan	Gore	Briggs	Elliott	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
13 — Bristol City	1-1	23	23	3,752	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
17 — Reading	1-1	23	23	2,746	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
20 — Leyton Orient	1-0	20	20	3,296	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
24 — Northampton Town	1-1	20	20	3,134	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
27 — Walsall	2-2	20	20	2,850	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
31 — Cardiff City	1-2	21	21	3,505	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
Apr 10 — Rotherham United	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
10 — Bury	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
16 — Bolton Wanderers	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
21 — Bolton Wanderers	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
24 — Chester City	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
28 — Brentford	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
30 — Swansea City	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
May 5 — Bristol Rovers	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson
12 — FA Cup Final	0-2	21	21	3,131	Wood	Wood	Wood	Gores	Methven	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Madden	Garner	Wright	Eyres	Thompson

* -- Denotes own goal



FactFinder — Pontins League



Date	Opponents	Res.	Pos.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
1989																
Aug. 23	— Barnsley	2-4	—	Gavie	James	Murray	Rooney	Burns	Hope	Leitch	Bradshaw(2)	Sinclair	Gouck	Eyres	Murphy(J)	Murphy(S)
30	— Port Vale	0-3	17	Gavie	James	Murray	Thompson	Burns	Elliott	Sinclair	Mathews(1)	Rooney	Gouck	Eyres	Murphy(J)	Murphy(S)
Sept. 6	— Manfield Town	1-1	12	Gavie	Kay	Murray	Thompson	Burns	Thompson	Sinclair	Madden(1)	Garnier	Diamond	Eyres	Gouck	Kay
12	— Wolverhampton W.	2-1	14	Gavie	Bradshaw	Murray	Thompson	Rooney	Thompson	Sinclair	Eyres	Diamond	Gouck	Eyres	Murphy(J)	Murray
21	— Bolton Wanderers	1-1	7	Gavie	Bradshaw	Wright	Thompson	Mathews	Leitch	Sinclair	Gouck	Sinclair	Gouck	Coughlin	Murphy(S)	Murray
Oct. 3	— West Bromwich Albion	0-4	10	Marsh	Bradshaw	Atkin	Thompson	Leitch	Thompson	Wright	Madden	Eyres	Sinclair	Murray	Murphy(S)	Murray
15	— Middlesbrough	0-0	15	Gavie	Leitch	Atkin	Thompson	Mathews	Thompson	Sinclair	Gouck	Eyres	Gouck	Eyres	Murphy(S)	Murray
17	— Rotherham United	0-4	17	Gavie	Bradshaw	Murray	Thompson	Mathews	Murphy(J)	Sinclair	Madden	Eyres	Gouck	Murray	Murphy(S)	Murray
18	— Sheffield Wednesday	4-3	13	Bleazard	Kay	Murray	Gore	Mathews	Dunn	Leitch	Madden	Eyres	Gouck	Bradshaw	Murphy(M)	Sinclair
Nov. 8	— Grimsby Town	2-0	14	McIlhargy	Atkin	Bradshaw	Rooney	Atkin	Dunn	Davies	Murphy(M)	Rooney	Gouck	Eyres	Davies	Hope
14	— York City	2-0	14	McIlhargy	Atkin	Bradshaw	Thompson	Mathews	Dunn	Davies	Murphy(M)	Rooney	Gouck	Eyres	Atkin	Murphy(J)
22	— Stoke City	2-1	14	Gavie	Burgess	Bradshaw	Atkin	Mathews	Dunn	Davies	Hawkins(1)	Rooney	Gouck	Eyres	James	Murray
28	— Burnley	0-0	7	Gavie	Bradshaw	Wright	Atkin	Mathews	Dunn	Sinclair	Hawkins	Sinclair	Gouck	Mathews	Kay	Murphy(M)
Dec. 2	— Scunthorpe United	0-0	8	Gavie	Bradshaw	Wright	Atkin	Mathews	Dunn	Sinclair	Hawkins	Brook(1)	Rooney	Bradshaw	Kay	Kay
12	— Preston North End	0-0	8	Gavie	Bradshaw	Murray	Davies	Mathews	Dunn	Sinclair	Murphy(M)	Hawkins	Wright	Bradshaw	Kay	Murphy(M)
20	— Sunderland	1-1	10	Gavie	Bradshaw	Wright	Coughlin	Sleevenson	Dunn	Davies	Madden(1)	Owen	Garner	Hawkins	Gouck	James
1990																
Jan. 3	— Port Vale	2-2	11	McIlhargy	Davies	Murray	Holmes	Mathews	Mathews	Thompson	Gouck	Hawkins	Diamond	Madden	Burns	Dunn
10	— Barnsley	0-3	12	McIlhargy	Davies	Bradshaw	Mathews	Sinclair	Briggs	Thompson	Abraham	Hawkins	Diamond	Madden	Burns	Gouck
17	— Wigan Athletic	2-0	11	Gavie	Mathews	Bradshaw	Sinclair	Mathews	Filson	Davies	Hawkins	Hawkins	Diamond	Eyres	Burns	Murphy(J)
22	— Manfield Town	2-0	7	Gavie	Davies	Bradshaw	Dunn	Sleevenson	Briggs	Gouck	Abraham	Sinclair	Diamond	Eyres	Murray	Rooney
31	— Wolverhampton W.	1-3	10	Gavie	Mathews	Bradshaw	Sleevenson	Abraham	Dunn	Gouck	Hawkins	Richard	Diamond	Eyres	Briggs	James
Feb. 7	— Bolton Wanderers	1-3	11	Gavie	Davies	Bradshaw	Abraham	Abraham	Filson	Mathews	Hawkins(1)	Diamond	Gouck	Eyres	Burns	Sinclair
14	— Middlesbrough	1-3	11	Gavie	Davies	Bradshaw	Abraham	Abraham	Filson	Mathews	Hawkins(1)	Diamond	Gouck	Eyres	Briggs	James
20	— West Bromwich A.	1-2	12	Gavie	Murphy(S)	Murray	Abraham	Abraham	Filson	Leitch	Kenip	Murphy(J)	Gouck	Sinclair	Stoddard	Murphy(S)
Mar. 14	— Stoke City	4-1	11	McGurty	McGurty	Bradshaw	Coughlin	Filson	Mathews	Davies	Diamond	Costa	Gouck	Sinclair	Stoddard	Needham
27	— Grimsby Town	0-4	13	Marsh	McGurty	Bradshaw	Coughlin	Abraham	James	Murphy(S)	Diamond	Costa	Gouck	Sinclair	Murphy(J)	Abraham
Apr. 4	— Scunthorpe United	2-2	13	McIlhargy	McGurty	Morgan	Coughlin	Briggs	Briggs	Sinclair	Hawkins	Diamond	Gouck	Costa	Murphy	Murphy(J)
11	— Preston North End	2-2		McIlhargy	McGurty	Morgan	Coughlin	Briggs	Gore	Sinclair	Hawkins	Diamond	Gouck	Costa	Murphy	Murphy(J)
18	— Sunderland			McIlhargy	McGurty	Morgan	Coughlin	Briggs	Gore	Sinclair	Hawkins	Diamond	Gouck	Costa	Murphy	Murphy(J)
May 2	— Sheffield Wednesday			McIlhargy	McGurty	Morgan	Coughlin	Briggs	Gore	Sinclair	Hawkins	Diamond	Gouck	Costa	Murphy	Murphy(J)
7	— Rotherham United			McIlhargy	McGurty	Morgan	Coughlin	Briggs	Gore	Sinclair	Hawkins	Diamond	Gouck	Costa	Murphy	Murphy(J)

BARCLAYS LEAGUE — DIVISION THREE
CHESTER CITY
 Tuesday, 24th April, 1990
 Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

PONTINS LEAGUE
SHEFFIELD WED.
 Wednesday, 25th April, 1990
 Kick-off 7.00 p.m.



TODAY'S MASCOT — STEPHEN BRIGGS

Stephen, of 89 St. Martins Road, Blackpool, Lancs. is 8 years old. He attends Hawes Side School. His hobbies are playing and watching football, snooker, cricket, reading, singing and dancing. He plays centre half or right midfield for Foxhall Under 9's. His favourite Blackpool player is Steve Morgan. His favourite all-time players are Mike Nevali and Pat Nevin. His other favourite sports persons are Steve Davis and Ian Botham. His ambition is to become a professional footballer or be a pop singer.

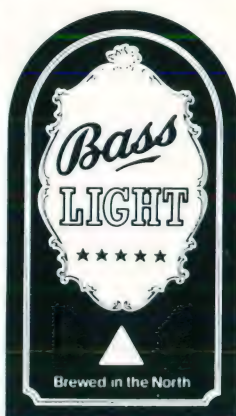


TODAY'S MASCOT — CHRISTOPHER BRIGGS

Christopher, of 89 St. Martins Road, Blackpool, Lancs. is 10 years old. He attends Hawes Side School. His hobbies are playing and watching football and tennis. He plays right back for Spirit of Youth Under 10's. His favourite Blackpool player is Gary Briggs. His favourite all-time players are Ian Rush and John Barnes. His other favourite sports person is Steve Cram. His ambition is to become a professional footballer or an electrician.

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	P	W	Home						Away					Pts	Top Scorers
			D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A				
Bristol City	39	13	4	3	30	14	12	3	4	33	17	82	Taylor (27), Newman (6), Shelton (6)		
Bristol Rovers	38	12	7	0	36	13	9	6	4	20	15	76	Mehew (15), White (8), Holloway (5)		
Tranmere Rovers	39	14	3	2	49	17	8	4	8	28	22	73	Muir (18), Malkin (15), Bishop (7)		
Notts County	38	13	4	2	29	14	7	5	7	27	30	69	Johnson (12), Lund (7), Stant (6)		
Bolton Wanderers	39	11	5	3	28	15	6	7	7	26	24	63	Phillis Kirk (16), Reeves (11), Darby (9)		
Bury	40	8	7	5	25	19	9	3	8	30	25	61	Robinson (15), Hoyland (11)		
Rotherham United	39	11	4	5	45	27	5	6	8	21	27	58	Williamson (19), Mendonca (11)		
Birmingham City	40	10	6	4	30	14	6	4	10	21	36	58	Bailey (16), Sturridge (10)		
Huddersfield Town	39	9	4	7	22	19	6	7	6	28	29	56	Maskell (12), Smith (7), Wilson (6)		
Crewe Alexandra	39	8	8	4	26	20	5	8	6	21	21	55	Sussex (8), Highett (7), Fishenden (6)		
Reading	38	8	8	3	28	17	4	8	7	19	27	52	Senior (11), Moran (8), Leworthy (7)		
Shrewsbury Town	40	8	8	4	32	22	4	6	10	19	29	50	McGinlay (18), Moyes (8), Kelly (5)		
Brentford	40	9	3	8	33	29	6	2	12	19	29	50	Holdsworth (19), Blissett (9), May (8)		
Fulham	40	8	7	5	31	23	4	6	10	18	29	49	Walker (13), Milton (6), Davies (5)		
Wigan Athletic	40	9	5	6	27	20	3	8	9	17	35	49	Hilditch (7), Daley (6), Pilling (6)		
Leyton Orient	40	9	5	6	24	18	4	4	12	20	31	48	Cooper (10), Castle (7), Hull (6)		
Chester City	40	10	6	4	26	20	1	8	11	9	26	47	Abel (5), Dale (5), Butler (4)		
Swansea City	39	9	5	6	22	26	3	5	11	15	30	46	Melville (5), Raynor (5), Chalmers (4)		
Mansfield Town	40	11	2	7	29	21	2	4	14	12	35	45	Wilkinson (15), Christie (10)		
Preston North End	40	9	5	6	36	26	3	3	14	21	45	44	Joyce (10), Harper (9), Mooney (8)		
BLACKPOOL	39	7	5	7	24	24	2	8	10	18	33	40	Garner (8), Eyres (6), Brook (4)		
Cardiff City	39	4	8	7	21	27	5	5	10	19	31	40	Pike (15), Griffiths (6), Barnard (5)		
Northampton Town	38	5	7	7	22	27	3	6	10	21	32	37	Barnes (14), Collins (8), Adcock (3)		
Walsall	39	4	6	9	16	28	3	6	11	15	32	33	Rimmer (10), Bertschin (7), Taylor (2)		

Pontins League Division Two 1989/90

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sheffield Wed.	29	19	3	7	64	28	60
Sunderland	29	17	6	6	56	28	57
Wolverhampton W.	29	15	9	5	63	38	54
Rotherham United	27	13	6	8	38	26	45
Scunthorpe United	29	12	7	10	41	40	43
West Bromwich A.	26	11	8	7	51	31	41
Middlesbrough	28	10	11	7	40	27	41
Stoke City	27	11	6	10	42	36	39
York City	29	12	2	15	40	47	38
Port Vale	27	10	7	10	46	52	37
Barnsley	29	11	3	15	44	47	36
Mansfield Town	27	11	3	13	33	47	36
BLACKPOOL	28	8	9	11	34	48	33
Bolton Wanderers	28	8	8	12	42	50	32
Preston North End	28	9	5	14	25	52	32
Wigan Athletic	26	8	4	14	32	43	28
Burnley	22	6	2	14	22	46	20
Grimsby Town	28	5	5	18	29	56	20

Lancashire League Division Two 1989/90

Blackpool A Team			
August	19	Blackburn R (B)	H 3-0
	26	Crewe Alex (B)	A 2-1
	2	Marine Youth	H 5-0
September	16	Wigan Ath (A)	A 0-0
	23	No Game	
	30	Blackburn R. (B)	A 2-2
October	7	Stockport (A)	H 4-0
	14	Chester C (A)	A 4-1
	21	Tranmere R (B)	H 2-0
	28	Liverpool (B)	A 1-2
November	4	Carlisle U (A)	A 4-1
	11	Manchester U (B)	A 1-2
	18	Everton (B)	H 4-1
	25	Preston NE (B)	H 5-0
December	9	No Game	
	16	Crewe Alex (B)	H 2-1
	23	No Game	
	30	Marine Youth	A 6-0
January	13	Oldham Ath (A)	A 1-3
	20	Stockport C (A)	A 4-1
	27	Bury (A)	H 7-2
February	3	No Game	
	10	Chester C (A)	H 1-0
	17	Tranmere R (B)	A 5-2
	24	Liverpool (B)	H 4-3
March	3	Everton (A)	A 1-3
	10	Carlisle U (A)	H 3-0
	17	Preston NE (B)	A 2-6
	24	Bury (A)	A 2-1
	31	Wigan Ath. (A)	H 3-1
April	7	Manchester Utd. (B)	H 1-2
	21	Oldham Ath. (B)	H

Flashback

5 Years

In Division Four we drew 1-1 at Exeter City (att: 1,847) with Kevin Stonehouse scoring.

Team: O'Rourke, Moore, Price, Conroy, Hetzke, Greenall, Britton, Davies, Windridge, O'Keefe, Stonehouse. Sub: Teasdale for Davies.

The Reserves won 3-0 at home to Oldham with Potts, Dyer and Murphy scoring.

Bolton Wanderers beat Newport County 3-1 at home in Division Three with goals from Tony Caldwell (2) and Jeff Chandler.

10 Years

We won 2-0 at Oxford United in Division Three (att: 3,582) with goals from Paul Fletcher and Wayne Harrison.

Team: Hesford, Gardner, Pashley, Noble, Ashurst, McEwan, Morris, Bamber, Fletcher, Weston, Harrison. Sub: Doyle for Bamber.

The Reserves won 4-0 at home to Bury with goals from Hockaday, Kerr (2) and Deary.

Bolton Wanderers lost 2-1 at Bristol City in Division One with Sam Allardyce scoring.

Manchester United beat Tottenham Hotspur 4-1.

15 Years

In Division Two we lost 3-0 at home to Aston Villa.

Team: Burridge, Curtis, Harrison, Hart, Suddaby, Hatton, Ronson, Tong, Walsh, Ainscow, Evanson. Sub: Parker for Hatton.



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Supporters Club

Today we welcome officials, players and supporters of Bolton Wanderers F.C. for this Easter Monday match.

When the teams met on Boxing Day Blackpool lost 0-2. Blackpool's League record against Bolton is P81, W26, D22, L33.

Several players have been connected with both clubs since the war - Jeff Chandler, Wyn Davies, Paul Fletcher, Dave Hatton, Bob Hatton, Gary Jones, Dave Lennard, Willie Morgan, Peter Nicholson, Brian Smith, Alan Waldron, Henry Mowbray, Ray Parry, Graham Rowe, Mick Walsh, Barry Siddall, Tony Evans, Ian Bailey, Gordon Kennedy, Wayne Entwistle, David Cross, Paul Jones and Chris Thompson.

The current boss at Bolton is the ex-Northampton, Liverpool, Bolton and England international player Phil Neal, who took charge in December 1985.

Last season Bolton finished tenth in Division Three.

NOTICES

The Supporters Club is open before and after each first team home game for **MEMBERS ONLY**. The door opens at 12 noon and last orders are at 1.40 p.m. The club re-opens at 3.40 p.m.

SO REMEMBER, NO MEMBERSHIP CARD, NO ADMISSION.

A reminder to members that the club opens at 18.00 hours for midweek fixtures.

Any member of the Supporters Club found guilty in a court of law of a misdemeanor at a football match will be banned from the club and Supporters coaches.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

With only six matches remaining of the 1989-90 season, it's time for members of the Supporters

Club to vote for their Blackpool 'Player of the Year'.

Leading contenders? - Colin Methven, Ian Gore, Carl Richards and David Eyres. The winner will collect 'The Wilf Wells Trophy' on Sunday, 13th May. On the same evening 'The Tommy Coyne Trophy' will be presented to Blackpool's leading League goalscorer, which at the moment is Andy Garner.

Then on Saturday, 19th May the Supporters Clubs football, cricket, domino, darts and snooker teams hold their 'Players of the Year' night.

DOMINOES

The Friday night domino team suffered a surprise defeat against Uncle Toms Cabin, losing 5-7. After this result they lost the league leadership, but they regained top spot three days later when they beat Dunes Hotel 9-3 in a re-arranged fixture.

On 18th April the Wednesday Domino team meet Victory Hotel in the final of the league's team knock-out competition.

SNOOKER

The clubs 'B' team were well beaten by Pelham Mount in the second round of the team knock-out.

The 'A' team, who beat Welcome Inn 4-3 in the second round, have been drawn against Brunswick Hotel in the third round.

In the league the 'B' teams poor form continued when they lost 3-6 away against Layton Institute 'B'. winners were John Lancaster, Chris White and Barrie Anslow.

The 'A' team had a great 7-2 home victory over Layton Institute 'A'. Max 'The Best' Smith, Stuart Shields, Dave Bullock, Paul Briggs and Carl Gill were the winners.

After these latest results the 'A' team have 113 points and are seventh in the league, while the 'B' team have 109 points and are ninth. Both teams have three matches left.

AWAY TRAVEL

Next Saturday, 21st April, Blackpool travel to the capital to play Fulham. The fare is £8.50 and coaches will depart at 8.00 a.m. Those wishing to travel should contact our Travel Stewards Paul or Ozzie as soon as possible. Please remember no alcohol is allowed on the coaches.

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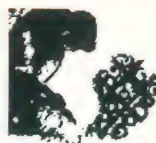
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	League	Gls	F.A. Cup	Gls	L'woods Cup	Gls	L.D. Cup	Gls		League	Gls	F.A. Cup	Gls	L'woods Cup	Gls	L.D. Cup	Gls
Brook	17+1 Sub.	4	6	1	—	—	—	—	Hawkins	4+3 Sub.	—	—	—	1	—	2	—
McIlhargey	22	—	7	—	4	—	1	—	Bartram (O.L.)	9	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Burgess	19	1	1	1	5	—	1	—	Gayle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Morgan	29+2 Sub.	1	7	—	5	—	3	—	Davies	8+9 Sub.	—	0+5 Sub.	—	—	—	1	—
Gore	30	—	7	—	4	—	2	—	Groves	15	1	4	1	—	—	—	—
Briggs	17	2	—	—	5	2	2	—	Richards	13	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Garner	39	8	7	1	5	1	3	1	Wood (O.L.)	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Methven	37+1 Sub.	2	7	1	5	—	2	—	Gouck	0+1 Sub.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bradshaw	16+3 Sub.	1	3+1 Sub.	—	1	1	0+1 Sub.	—	Jones (O.L.)	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Wright	20+4 Sub.	—	5	—	3+2 Sub.	—	1+1 Sub.	—	Own Goal	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Coughlin	29+1 Sub.	—	6	—	4	—	3	—									
Owen	19+5 Sub.	3	4+2 Sub.	2	3	—	3	2									
Gabbiadini (O.L.)	5	3	—	—	2	1	—	—									
Madden	9+2 Sub.	4	1	—	2+2 Sub.	—	2	—									
Elliott	25+1 Sub.	—	4	—	2	—	3	—									
Matthews	4+3 Sub.	—	1	—	—	—	—	—									
Diamond	2+1 Sub.	1	0+1 Sub.	—	—	—	1	—									
Thompson	2+1 Sub.	—	—	—	1+1 Sub.	—	—	—									
Sinclair	3+3 Sub.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
Eyres	23+5 Sub.	6	7	2	1+1 Sub.	—	1+1 Sub.	—									

Pontins League Appearances and Scorers

	Appearances	Goals		Appearances	Goals		Appearances	Goals
Eyres	12	2	Brook	2+1 Sub.	1	McIlhargey	5	—
Sinclair	17+2 Sub.	—	Madden (M)	2	—	Hawkins	13	4
Gayle	20	—	Diamond	11	2	Burgess	1	—
Thompson	11	2	Elliott	2	—	Stevenson	2	—
Murray	13+3 Sub.	—	Hope	2	—	Holmes	1	—
Bradshaw	21	3	Kay	3+3 Sub.	—	Briggs	3	—
Gouck	19+2 Sub.	4	Atkin	7+1 Sub.	1	Abrahams	8	1
Leitch	8	—	Garner	2	—	Filson	7	1
Matthews	21	1	Marsh	2	—	McCallum	2	—
Murphy (J)	7+5 Sub.	1	Owen	3	—	Morgan	1	—
Madden (C)	6	2	Murphy (M)	5+3 Sub.	1	Richards	1	—
Rooney	10	2	Murphy (S)	3+1 Sub.	1	Kemp	1	—
Coughlin	6	—	Blezzard	1	—	Stoddard	0+1 Sub.	—
James	5+1 Sub.	—	Dunn	10+1 Sub.	1	McGurty	3	—
Wright	8	—	Davies	13+1 Sub.	1	Costa	3	2
Burns	2+2 Sub.	—	Gore	3	—	Own Goal	—	1

Barclays Bulletin

KENNY DALGLISH IS THE BARCLAYS MANAGER OF THE MONTH

Kenny Dalglish of Liverpool has been nominated the 'Barclays Bank Manager of the Month' for March. During the month, Liverpool took nine points from four Barclays League matches and regained the leadership of the First Division. Kenny Dalglish receives an inscribed plate and a cheque for £250.

Divisional awards went to Don Mackay of Blackburn Rovers, (four wins from six matches), Gerry Francis of Bristol Rovers, (unbeaten in nine games – winning eight), and Alan Buckley of Grimsby Town, (100% record in seven outings), who each receive an inscribed plate and a jereboam of champagne.

The Barclays Bank Managers' Awards are nominated by a panel of leading football journalists in conjunction with The Football League.

ROVERS WANDER WEMBLEY WAY

Third Division promotion rivals Bristol Rovers and Tranmere Rovers will contest this year's Leyland DAF Cup Final when they meet at Wembley on Sunday, 20th May. Prior to that date the two teams face each other in a Barclays League fixture in Birkenhead on Monday, 23rd April.

F.A. CUP GATES ON THE UP

Attendances in the first Six Rounds of The Football Association Challenge Cup are 84,000 up on last season, with over 1.9 million having already watched this year's competition. Although more games have been played on the way to the semi-finals, the average gate is still showing an increase.

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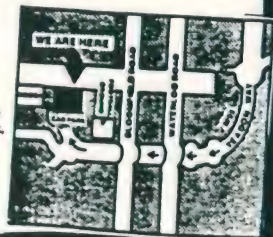
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North West Scene

The passing of the transfer deadline saw the lower division clubs traditionally indulge in most of the ensuing activity.

Two such clubs are Stockport County and Carlisle United who between them signed and sold five players. Interestingly both are striving towards the same end of season goal – promotion from Division Four. Stockport are clearly unhappy with their goalkeeping situation. New loan signing Scott Barratt from Stoke City is the fourth player to keep goal this season after Barry Siddall, Dave Redfearn and Carl Muggleton (loan) have all failed to command a regular place. Bolton Wanderers midfielder and former Youth team captain Nicky Brookman have also been loaned to the Edgeley Park club with Phil Neal stating, "It's only fare Nicky should be given a prolonged taste of first team football".

Danny Bergara has also signed former Oldham forward Mike Cecere from Huddersfield Town on loan in his attempt to take Stockport up in only his first season in charge at County.

Carlisle United, still in the thick of the promotion pack, have also had to replace their goalkeeper although somewhat more reluctantly than Stockport. Ever-present goalkeeper David McKellow has had a tremendous season but wanted to return to his native Scotland and so when Kilmarnock offered, he accepted for a fee of £20,000. Clive Middlemass's replacement goalkeeper has also come from Burnden Park. Reserve to David Felgate, Kevin Rose arrived at Bolton from Hereford last summer for £10,000. He will remain at Brunton Park on loan until the end of the season.

Burnley striker Brendan O'Connell has signed for Barnsley at a £45,000 price. Burnley sources reported a resurgence in O'Connell's form since he returned from his loan spell at Huddersfield. The Clarets' only deadline signing was that of Hull City's Neil Buckley. Burnley's disappointing recent form has placed manager Frank Casper in an extremely precarious position, especially after last week's home defeat by Doncaster Rovers. If Casper goes, ex-Burnley favourite Martin Dobson is tipped to take over at Turf Moor.

Wrexham's bid to avoid relegation to the GM Vauxhall Conference was strengthened by the loan signing of Oldham Athletic's Steve Morgan. The final regional addition is that of promising Leicester City defender Ian Barraclough on loan to Wigan Athletic.

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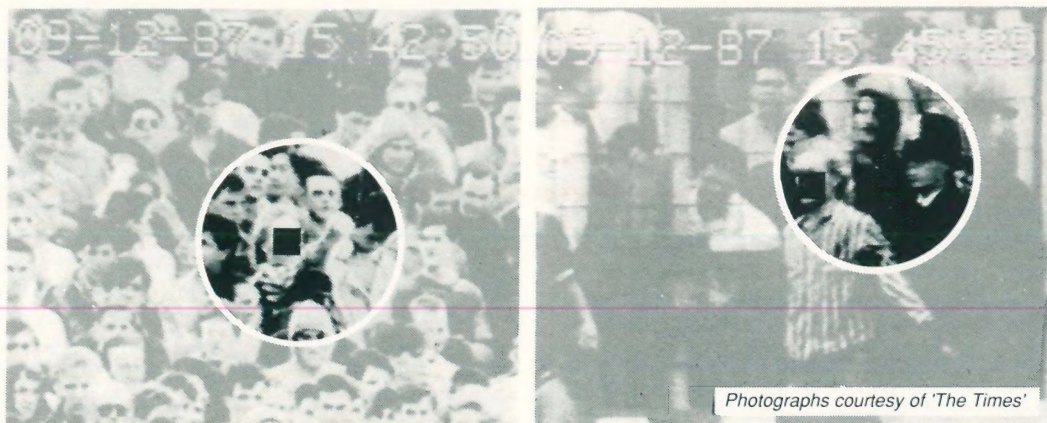


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